

110TH CONGRESS  
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# S. RES. 543

Designating the week beginning May 11, 2008, as “National Nursing Home Week”.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 30, 2008

Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

Designating the week beginning May 11, 2008, as “National Nursing Home Week”.

Whereas more than 1,500,000 elderly and disabled individuals live in the nearly 16,000 nursing facilities in the United States;

Whereas the annual celebration of National Nursing Home Week invites people in communities nationwide to recognize nursing home residents and staff for their contributions to their communities;

Whereas the theme for National Nursing Home Week in 2008 is “Love is Ageless”, emphasizing that each person, caregiver, and community has an abundance of love, no matter what their age;

Whereas love can be celebrated in a variety of ways, such as through the telling of personal stories, traditions, friendship, and family; and

Whereas National Nursing Home Week recognizes the people who provide care to the Nation’s most vulnerable population: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) designates the week beginning May 11,  
3       2008, as “National Nursing Home Week”;

4               (2) recognizes that a majority of people in the  
5       United States, because of social needs, disability,  
6       trauma, or illness, will require long-term care serv-  
7       ices at some point in their lives;

8               (3) honors nursing home residents and the peo-  
9       ple who care for them each day, including family  
10       members, volunteers, and dedicated long-term care  
11       professionals, for their contributions to their commu-  
12       nities and the United States; and

13              (4) encourages the people of the United States  
14       to observe National Nursing Home Week with ap-  
15       propriate ceremonies and activities.

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